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SUBJECT: BULGARIA SITREP TWO (BACKGROUND FOR INGERSOLL VISIT)

REF: SOFIA 1903 AND 1936

1. TODOROV SPEECH. AT IMPRESSIVE NATIONAL HOLIDAY CELEBRATION SEPT 8 IN THE NATIONAL OPERA, ATTENDED BY THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS, PRIME MINISTER STANKO TODOROV GAVE LENGTHY SPEECH NOTEWORTHY FOR THREE ELEMENTS: (A) PROVO-CATION OF YET ANOTHER WALKOUT BY THE PRC CHARGE WHEN HE SAID: "WE SHARPLY CONDEMN AND OPPOSE THE DISSIDENT ANTI-SOVIET, ANTI-COMMUNIST AND NATIONALISTIC COURSE OF THE MAOIST LEADERSHIP OF THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY AND THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC"; (B) NEW STATISTICS ON PERFORMANCE OF THE BULGARIAN ECONOMY IN 1975; (C) FIRST REFERENCE TO INFLATIONARY THREAT: "(WE) MUST WORK STILL MORE PURPOSE-FULLY TO OVERCOME THE NEGATIVE EFFECT OF THE ECONOMIC AND MONETARY CRISIS IN THE WEST ON OUR NATIONAL ECONOMY."

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2. PERFORMANCE FIGURES. TODOROV SAID INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

NOW MAKES UP 66 PERCENT OF THE NATIONAL PRODUCT AND 54 OF THE NATIONAL INCOME; THAT AVERAGE ANNUAL SALARY OF WORKERS "HAS INCREASED ABOUT 15 PERCENT IN FOUR YEARS, AND THE REAL INCOMES HAVE INCREASED ON THE AVERAGE 5.8 PERCENT ANNUALLY". HE CLAIMED THAT DURING FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF 1975 THE PLANNED FIGURES FOR INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION WERE "FULFILLED BY 100.8 PERCENT" AND THAT THE HARVEST THIS YEAR IS EXPECTED TO BE GOOD FOR NEARLY ALL CROPS.

3. PLOVDIV FAIR RESULTS. EXHIBITORS AT US PAVILION REPORT FLOOR SALES OF \$168,150 AND THEY ESTIMATE SALES DURING NEXT 12 TO 24 MONTHS AT \$11,145,000, APPROXIMATELY TWICE LAST YEAR'S FIGURE. VIRTUALLY ALL MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE SALE OFF THE FLOOR WERE SOLD. ONE US EXHIBITOR, NEOTECH, WAS AWARDED GOLD MEDAL FOR MACHINE WHICH SPECTROSCOPICALLY ANALYZES PROTEIN, MOISTURE AND FAT CONTENT OF GRAIN. ESPECIALLY GRATIFYING WERE CONTACTS ESTABLISHED, DUE TO PRE-FAIR PROMOTION ACTIVITIES, WITH BUYERS FROM USSR, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, HUNGARY (AND, FORTUITOUSLY, ALSO IRAQ.) SEVERAL FIRMS, INCLUDING FMC, CONTINENTAL CAN, PROCTOR & SCHWARTZ, AND MCKEE ARE ENGAGED IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SIZEABLE FOOD PROCESSING FACILITIES.
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